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## SCAG TO CONVENE NATIONAL GOODS MOVEMENT FORUM AT GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Caltrans Director Also Scheduled To Address More Than 100 Local Elected Officials During Southern California Association of Governments 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Two-Day Celebration

Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) WHO:

The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) marks its 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a WHAT: special two-day celebration.

> On May 4<sup>th</sup>, SCAG will hold a unique Goods Movement discussion called "Finding the Good in Goods Movement: Insights and Strategies from U.S. Gateways." This innovative program will bring together a distinguished panel to discuss the challenges and opportunities associated with moving goods in Southern California and other key ports of entry across the country.

- Mayor Pro Tem Art Brown, City of Buena Park; SCAG Goods Movement Task Force Chair
- ➤ Councilwoman Janice Hahn, City of Los Angeles
- > Tyler Duvall, acting assistant secretary, U.S. Department of Transportation
- > Ports officials from Chicago, Houston, Los Angeles, New Jersey, Oakland, and Tacoma
- Paul Nowicki, vice president, Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway
- ➤ Bob McAdam, vice president of Corporate Affairs, Wal-Mart

On May 5<sup>th</sup>, SCAG's Regional Council will feature remarks from Caltrans Director Will Kempton regarding the state's current and future transportation program. Additionally, each of SCAG's policy committees will have featured speakers to discuss local and state planning initiatives:

- > Con Howe, planning director, City of Los Angeles (Community, Economic & Human Development Committee speaker)
- Andy Lipkis, president, TreePeople (Energy & Environment Committee speaker)
- > Bill Fulton, councilmember, City of Ventura (Transportation & Communications Committee Speaker)

Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup> (1:30 p.m.) Thursday, May 5th WHEN:

> Featured Goods Movement Program (10 am – 12:30 pm) Policy Committees & Regional Council

(12:30 pm – 2 pm) Will Kempton luncheon presentation

The Historic Los Angeles Athletic Club WHERE:

431 West Seventh Street, Los Angeles, CA 90014 (Thomas Bros: pg. 634, E5)

[EDITOR'S NOTE: For more information about this event, please call Jeff Lustgarten of Cerrell Associates at 323/466-3445.1

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